



United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.

Attend any or all of our five Christmas Eve services; invite friends

As in previous years, Trinity gives you five options for your Christmas Eve worship. Each service offers something special and different, but the message will be the same: "Imagine the Impossible." Attend one, two, or all services.

Here are the times and details:

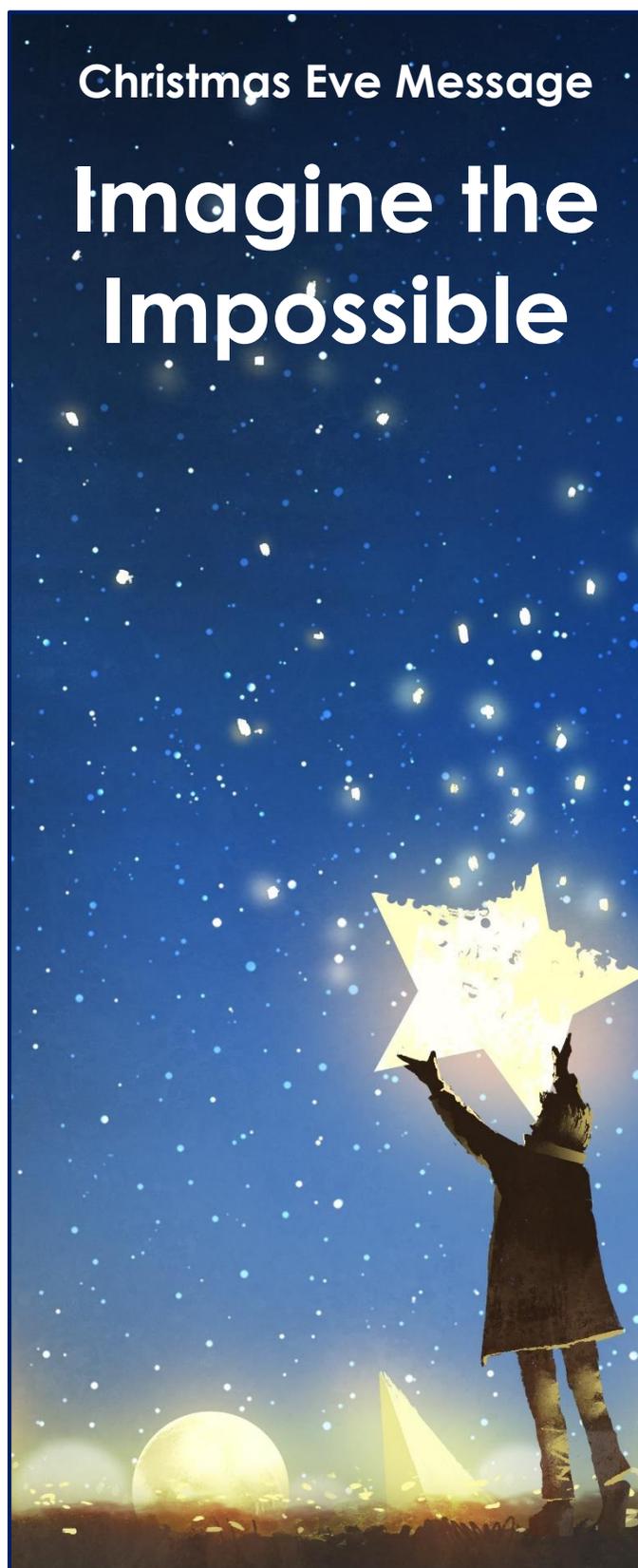
- ☆ **2:00 pm. Traditional**
Carols, soloist, children's message, homily, Holy Communion, candle lighting.
- ☆ **4:00 pm. For kids, by kids!**
Carols, story of Jesus' birth told by children, children's message, children's choirs and bells, Holy Communion.
- ☆ **7:00 pm. FaithX praise band**
Carols, FaithX music, children's message, homily, Holy Communion, candle lighting.
- ☆ **8:30 pm. Traditional with youth**
Carols, music by Trinity youth (strings, choir, bells), homily, Holy Communion, candle lighting.
- ☆ **11:00 pm. Traditional with special music**
Lessons and carols, adult choir with string ensemble, homily, candle lighting.

Remember to worship on Christmas Day, too

- ☆ **10:00 am. Single service**
Hymns and carols, soloist, sermon, Holy Communion.
Sermon theme: "Dwelling Word"

Christmas Eve Message

Imagine the Impossible



Sharing God's gifts by Rev. Liz Frey

Hi Trinity!

Can you believe it? I have been part of this community for almost six months! In short, I love it and I am excited about what the next year will bring.

I feel blessed to be a part of a congregation that is full of life and promise. I am impressed by everything this congregation does, and I am amazed by the wonderful, gifted people of God who call Trinity their church home.

In this season of Advent and Christmas, in which we give thanks for God's ultimate gift of love, Jesus Christ, I am thankful for the gift that this congregation is to me and our community. God has given us many gifts and blessings. I encourage you to reflect on how God has gifted and blessed you, and where



those gifts and blessings might be shared.

Where might God be calling you to share your time, talent, and treasure? Maybe that looks like a gift to Trinity, or volunteering out in the community, or sharing your time at church?

God is doing amazing work here at Trinity, and God is inviting you to be a part of it. This invitation is exciting! Let's do God's work together!

Who's in?

Letter from Sylvia Stotler

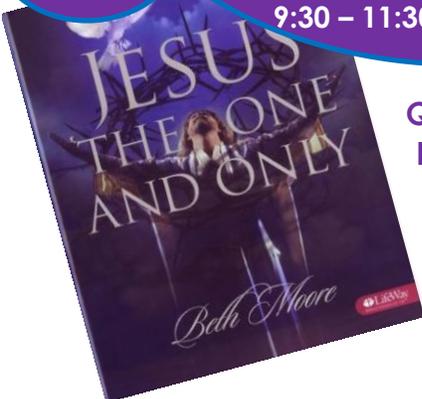
Dear friends, I certainly felt the amazing power and warmth of prayers going out from Trinity well-wishers following my broken hip surgery. Bill and I both appreciated the loving support, cards, phone calls and visits from congregation and staff. Hope to see you soon.

Notice to All Givers

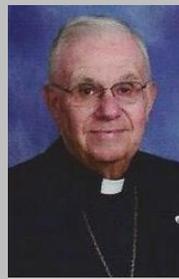
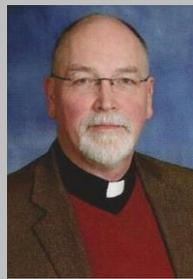
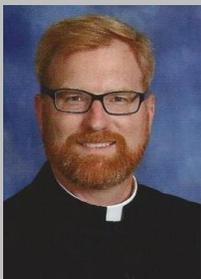
All offerings for 2018 must be received in the church office by Monday morning, December 31, in order to be credited to your 2018 contribution record.

New series for 2019

Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study
 11 Wednesdays • Jan. 23 – Apr. 3
 9:30 – 11:30 am • Rm 237



Questions or Registration:
 Call Judy Trissler 717-795-5919
 or Bert Weaver 717-697-3259



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January issue deadline is Monday, Dec. 10, at 4 pm. Max. 200 words. We edit.

Update your information for our database and directory

There's a good chance that our member database might contain some outdated information about you and your family. Folks get new phone numbers, email addresses, or new physical addresses. Kids become adults and go off to college; they get married and have children of their own. So will you help us get correct info?

Here's how to see what we have in our member profile about you:

If you haven't already done so, go to www.trinitycamphill.org/directory, fill out the form to make a one-time request to access our member profile portal, wait for us to verify you are a member (for security purposes), and then look for an email from no-reply@servantpc.com. Follow the instructions that we'll send you to create a personal password, and then check out and edit your individual and family info.



You'll also see instructions for viewing our online member directory by using a second password that Trinity has created (again, it's for security purposes—like two locked doors). We're also figuring out the details of printing copies of the online directories for folks without computers.

[From our Community Outreach Ministries Team](#)

Learn about the ministries of Christ Lutheran Church in Harrisburg

The Health Ministries of Christ Lutheran Church, 124 South 13th Street, Harrisburg, thanks Trinity for its support. The missionary congregation offers FREE medical outreach services to its Allison Hill neighbors who experience barriers to health care.

Outreach medical services include a clinic for first aid, simple lab tests, health assessments, health education, social service interventions, and the provision of items like blankets, underwear, and hygiene products. Dr. Meg Groff, a Trinity member and licensed physician, has volunteered for years to provide medical care at the clinic.

A dental clinic provides some dental services. There are English as a Second Language and literacy classes; a weekday **hospitality center** that offers beverages, phone, internet, copying, fax, notary services, and a lending library of bilingual children's books; a **prenatal care clinic and baby furniture bank**; and a **durable medical goods and orthopedic bank**.

Pastor Dean Stockstill of Christ Lutheran is committed to this important mission. He leads worship services for all ages on Sunday mornings at 10:30.

To learn about volunteer opportunities at Christ Lutheran, email Trinity members Margy Fox at fox710@comcast.net or Kim Hoover at greenbrew@verizon.net. Every third Saturday, the church has a "property day," where parishioners and volunteers make repairs and do maintenance in the church.

Support our Youth Group

Dine or order take-out at Isaac's (Lemoyne Plaza) on Wednesday, December 5, any time between 10 am and 9 pm. Isaac's will donate 25 percent of your bill to support our Youth Group's Sr. High Mission trip this summer. When you pay, just turn in a filled-out "Community Night" flyer that's available at the YG display in the Gathering Space.



Open House with the Horners

Saturday, December 8 • Sunday, December 9

Drop in any time from 1-5 pm • 96 Wheatland Rd., Lewisberry

Join Pastor Jack and Linda at their home—it's only about 15 minutes from the church. Enjoy refreshments, fellowship, miniature Christmas village.



You'll love these December concerts

Sunday, Dec. 2, at 3 pm • FREE to Concert Series Patrons who have picked up tickets • Non-patrons pay Choral Society ticket prices at the door (\$20 general, \$17 seniors, \$5 students).

Messiah Sing-Along, Harrisburg Choral Society, orchestra, and soloists

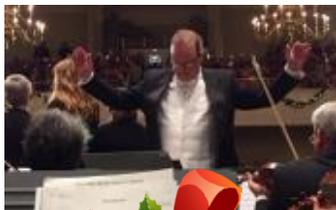
Listen or sing along to Handel's monumental work, including all of Part 1 (Christmas portion) and selections from Parts II and III. Dr. Jason Vodicka, conductor



Sunday, Dec. 9, at 3 pm • FREE but \$10 donation requested
Cantus, Men's premier vocal ensemble



**Lessons and
Carols for Our
Time**



Sunday, Dec. 16, at 3 pm • FREE • Early seating advised
Christmas at Trinity • H. Timothy Koch, conductor
The Trinity Concert Choir and Orchestra will showcase Randol Alan Bass' beautiful work, *A Symphony of Carols*. Other seasonal music will be presented by our Cherub, Junior, and Bell choirs; and by FaithX



You're invited! The Arts Team and Fellowship Team cordially invite you to a reception immediately following this concert. Donations of appetizers and desserts should be brought to the kitchen by noon on December 16, the day of the concert.

Briefly noted See the Trinity Today in your bulletin or on our website for more details.

- **Special congregational meeting**, Sunday, December 2, noon. Details were mailed to members.
- **Search for Nativity figures** each Sunday in Advent in the Nave, Fellowship Hall, and Chapel.
- **Buy Equal Exchange** coffee, tea, and chocolate on Sunday morning, December 2.
- **Order poinsettias** in the Gathering Space before and after services until December 9.
- **Attend the Men's Breakfast Gathering**, Saturday, December 8. Home of Rick Sten.
- **Sing in our Family Choir** on Sunday, December 16, at 11 am service. Rehearse right before.
- **Buy an ELCA Good Gift** for folks who need nothing and want to benefit others worldwide.
- **See the Every Member Prayer List** in the *Trinity Today*, available in bulletin or on website.
- **Plan NOW for our 7th annual Chili Cookoff**. It'll be on Sunday, January 20, after late services.
- **Know that 230 folks appreciated** our Thanks & Giving delivery of home-cooked meals.
- **Look for December birthdays** in last month's newsletter.



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